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Dear Mary,

I didn't sneak into the local hotel to steal some of their letterheads. I helped a guy for whom Lil had done some bookkeeping clean out a store he sold. He had several boxes of stuff he thought I might be able to use, like light bulbs of various kinds, a few hands tools, a brand new rifle an exact duplicate cate of the so-called Ray rifle (except for calibre, and he couldn't take it on a plane), so he told me to take ~~it~~ them. This I have this stuff and see no reason not to use it. He used to stay there.

My cheif purpose in writing is to ask for the Hudkins stories (and any other you may have)an Oswald as an agent. I may return to writing soon, and if I do, right now I think that would be next. So, not having these, and the ever-faithful FBI seeming to have seen to it that the Commission would not be troubled with them, I hope you (all) do have them. I have one that Goulden wrote for the Phila Enquirer or Bulletin. The FBI also managed to avoid that one.

They sure were nice to save the members of the Commission all those deep concerns, weren't they? As nice as Rankin, nicer in some ways.

The Boggs development may be helpful, but I very much fear that those who are as persauded as they are underinformed may entice him into a catastrophe.

If you have a file on Oswald as an agent or possible agent, I'd like to know of what it consists. DO NOT COPY IT. If you can list what is in it, I may be able to tell immediately if I already have it. There came a time when I took time to start a card file, and I can check it. Those CDs I know I have, for example, will be listed on those cards. My own file is rather extensive, as are the results of my own investigation.

Spoke to Jim today as a consequence of having spoken to someone else about helping Boggs. When he said nothing about Arch, I take it that so far he is making it. Hope so.

Sue may be horrified, but I also did something to help a friend of hers today.

Hope Buck is coming along. I look forward to having a chance to talk to him. I almost had a similar problem in the distant past, when I was a kid. I was young enough enough, tough and determined enough, to meet it head on. Since then I can take it or leave it, but those who made me aware of it, those with whom I worked, were not all as fortunate. I learned from them, what happened to them, and I wasn't old enough to vote. But I had dipped into Buck's situation.

Best to everyone,